

This invention relates to a controlled slow release oral dosage form for at least one sparingly soluble basic drug useful to reduce the daily dosage regimen. A controlled release, solid pharmaceutical composition adapted for oral administration comprises a water-soluble alginate salt, at that additionally it comprises a therapeutically effective amount of at least one basic drug having a water solubility of less than 1 part per 30 parts water and effective amount of organic carboxylic acid for improve of solubility of drug.